

RANGE CONTROL - DIRECTORATE OF PLANS, TRAINING, MOBILITY, and SECURITY (DPTMS)

Fort Gordon, Georgia

***Citizens Advisory Board
Update
U.S. Army Training at SRS***

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Proposal

The Army proposes to utilize DOE–SRS for non-live fire maneuver, combat support, and combat service support training.

DOE and its contractors will maintain their current missions, operations, and activities at the SRS. Training events will be pre-coordinated to minimize conflicts with SRS missions.

This proposal will support the national defense and national security needs of the nation.

This proposal is Influenced by and supports the goals and objectives of major ongoing Department of Defense (DOD) and Department of the Army (DA) initiatives and programs.

Why the Need for SRS Land?

In 2006 the Army was short approx. 2 million acres of maneuver training land in the Continental United States (CONUS).

The land shortfall has been exacerbated by.....

- The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)*
- The Army's Global Defense Posture Realignment (GDPR)*
- Environmental Restrictions*
- Other initiatives*

Consequently, by 2011 the Army will have a shortfall of approx. 5 million acres of maneuver training land in the Continental United States needed to train Army forces.

The Army has to overcome this training land shortfall by; focused management of existing lands, maximize the use of all maneuver training lands, and use of other federal lands.

“Supreme Republic of Savannistan (SRS)”

Deployment to SRS would be treated like a foreign nation deployment.

Other than water, trash, and port-a-let support, units must provide all classes of supply for the duration of their deployment. Water, trash disposal, and port-a-lets will be provided by SRNS.



Where Do We Stand?

Memorandum of Understanding – September 2007

Interagency Agreement – September 2009

Draft Environmental Assessment issued Summer 2010

Draft Joint Standard Operating Procedure - ongoing. Currently developing possible costs that may be incurred by the Army.

Biological Evaluation required by the Endangered Species Act – development ongoing

USACHPPM Noise Modeling of Barnwell Airport and SRS complete

URS Corp. Photographic Monitoring of SRS

Combat Maneuver Training`

- Light Forces, SOCOM*
- Army Aviation, Rotary Wing and Fixed Wing Aircraft*
- Close Quarters Battle (CQB)*



Combat Service Support Training

Transportation



Maintenance



Medical and Field Hospitals



Logistical Support Elements





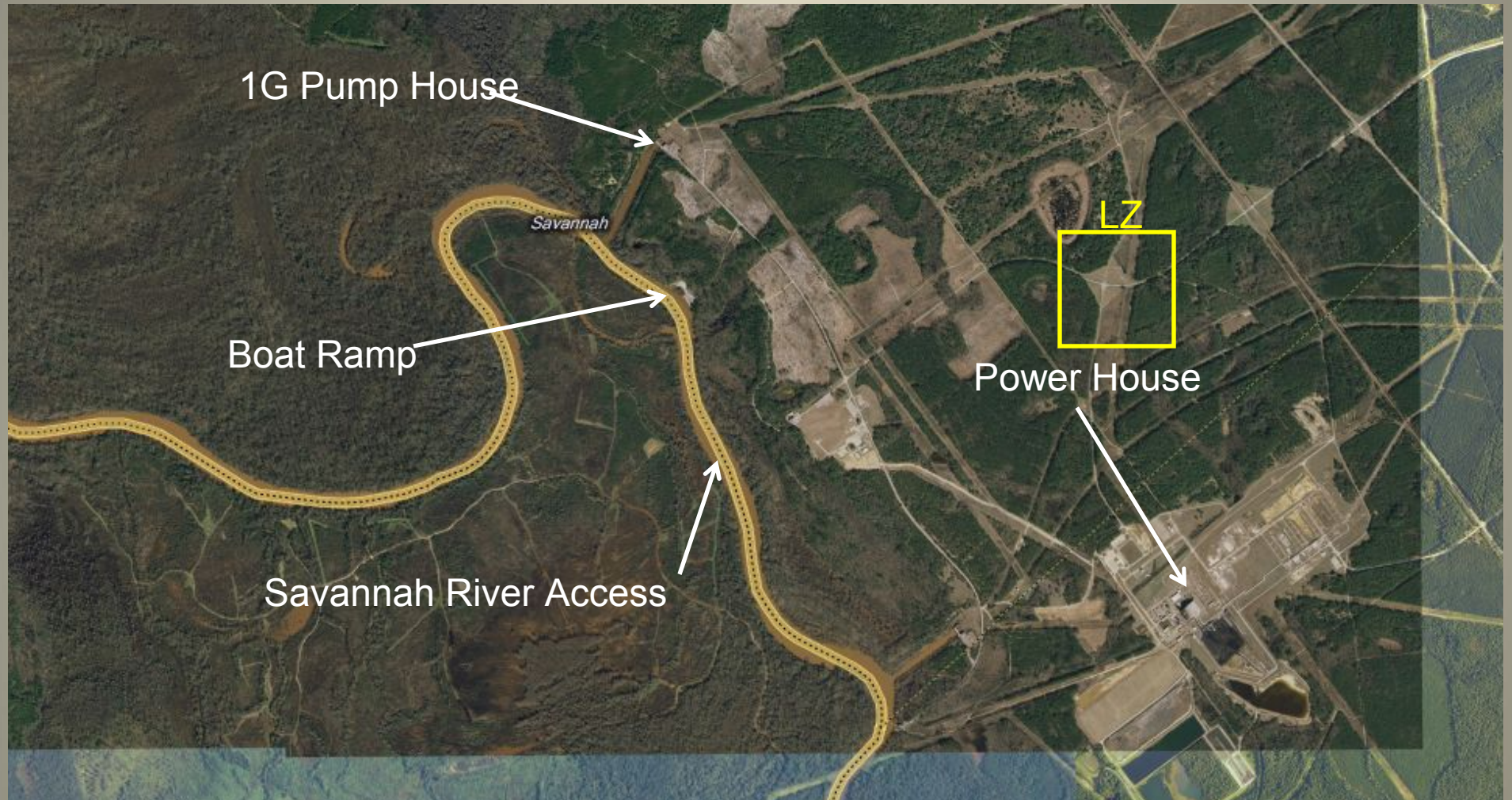
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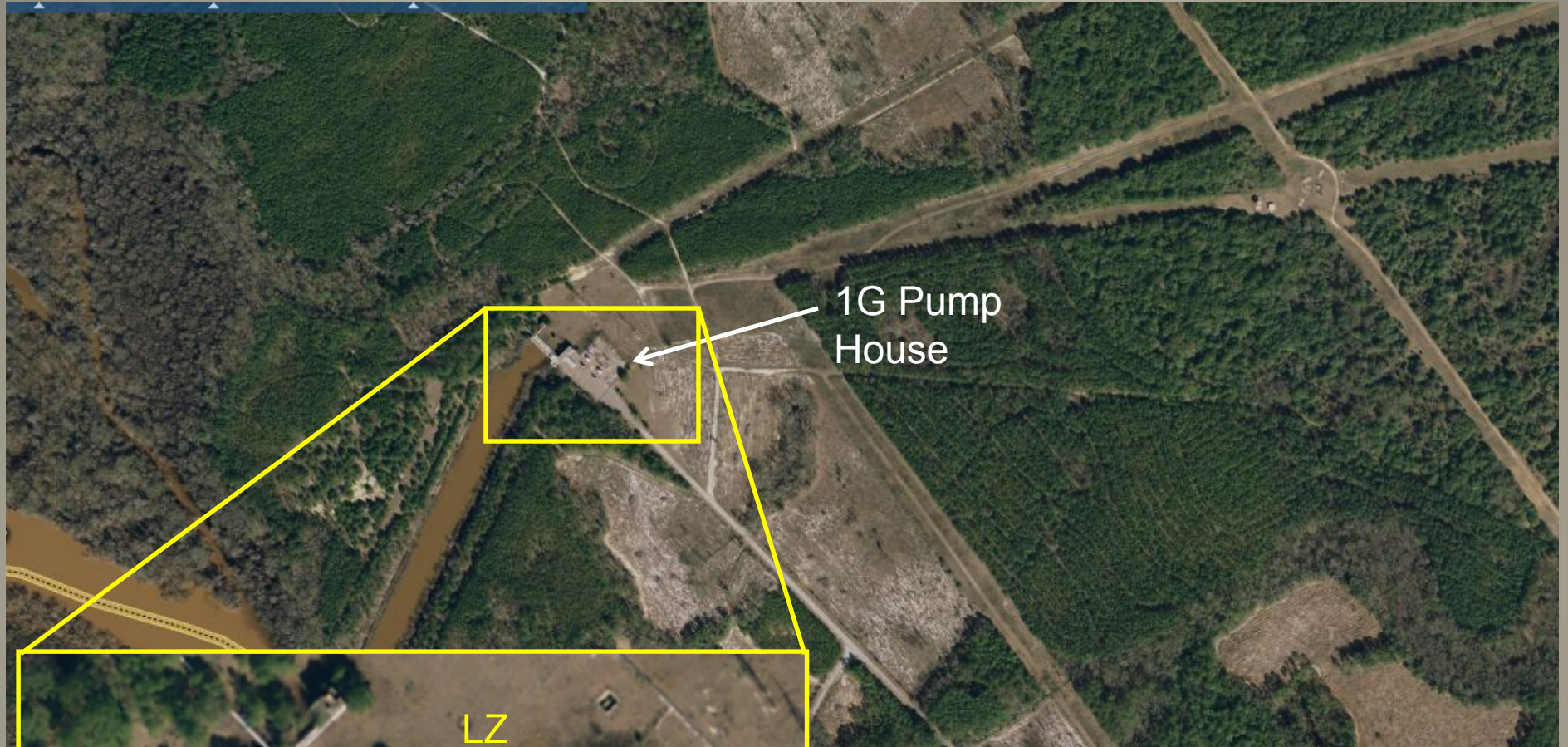


Communications

*Tactical
Operations
Centers (TOCs)*

D-AREA





1G Pump
House

LZ

LZ

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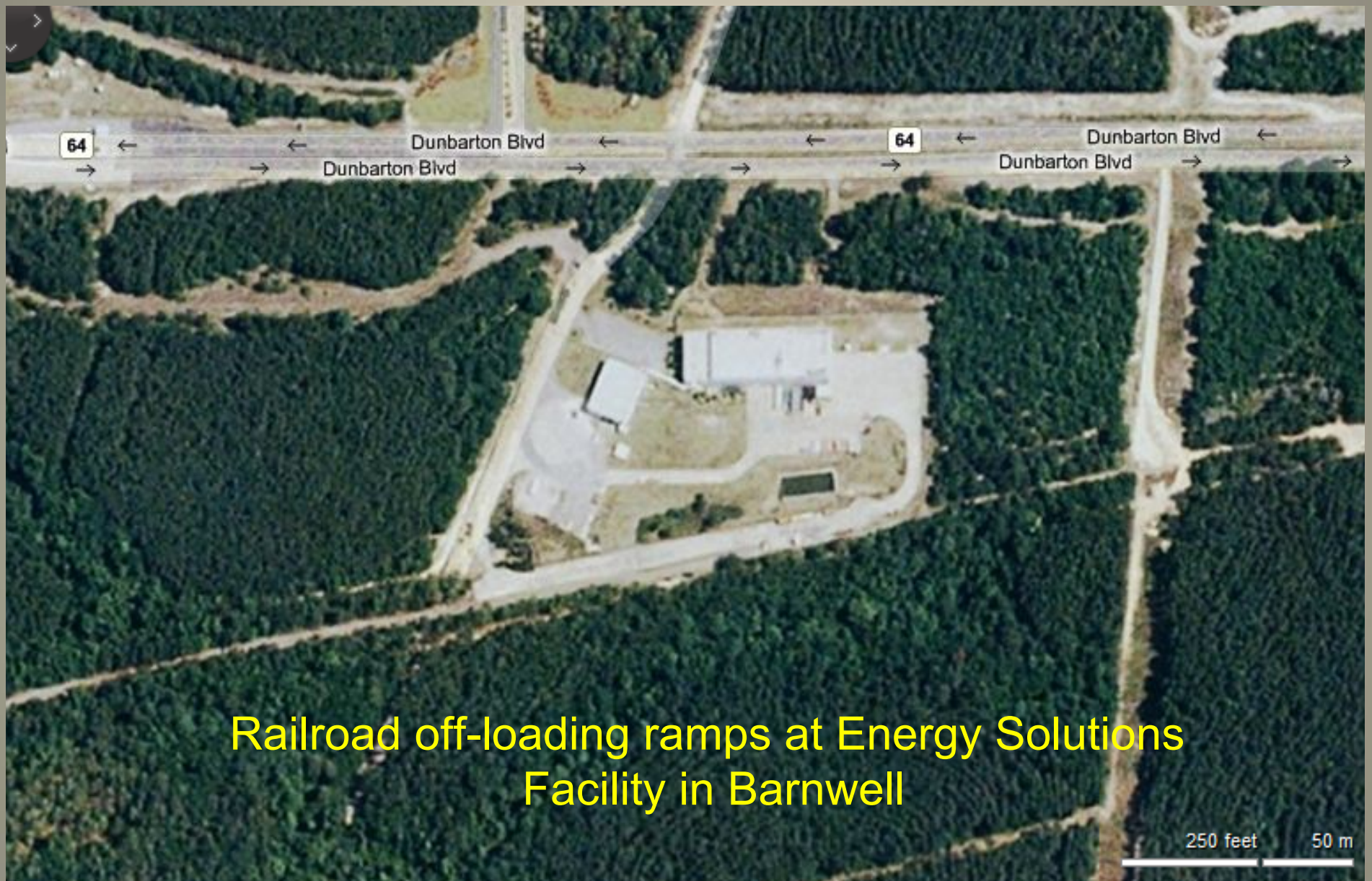
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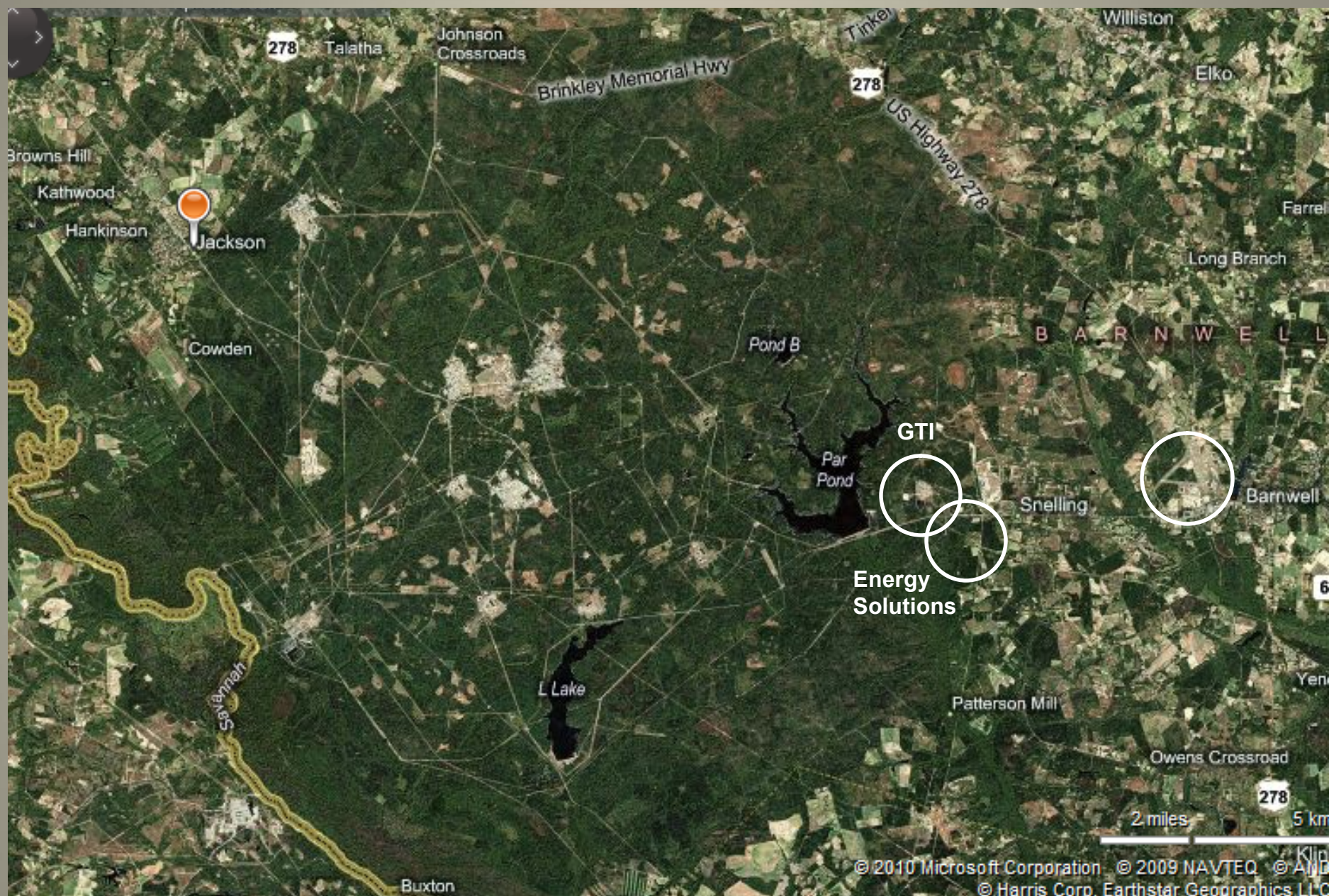
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Railroad off-loading ramps at Energy Solutions Facility in Barnwell



Environmental Concerns

The U.S. Army and the U.S. Army Environmental Command provides protection for Threatened and Endangered Species (TES), Wild Life Management, Wetlands, Forests, and Terrain.



SRS Protected Species

- Red Cockaded Woodpecker
- Bald Eagle
- American Alligator
- Wood Stork
- Short Nosed Sturgeon
- Pondberry
- Smooth Purple Coneflower

INRMP 2010 Update Map, Fort Gordon, US Army

- RCW Cluster 2010
- ⊕ Installation Boundary
- ▭ Training Area Boundaries

2010

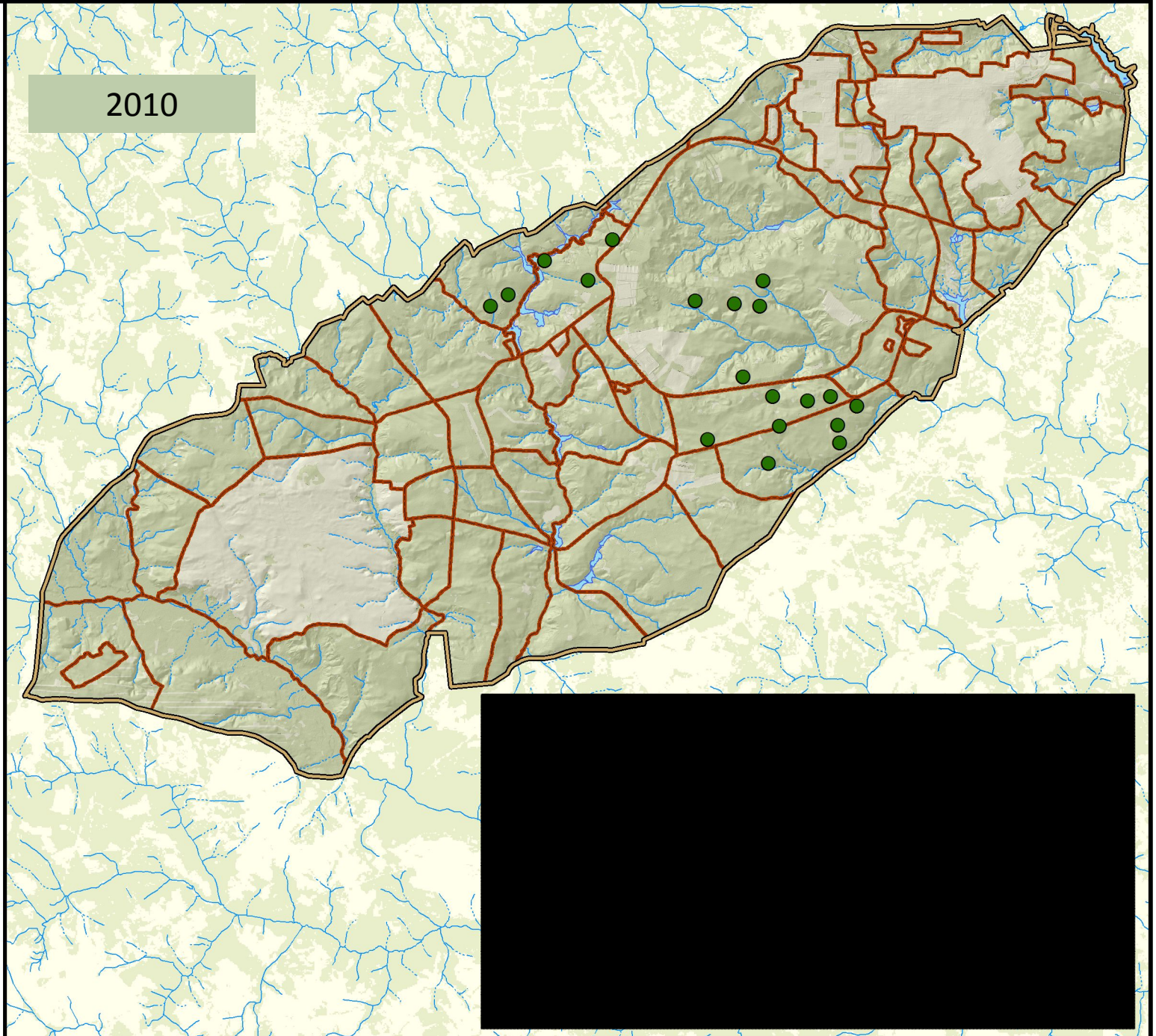
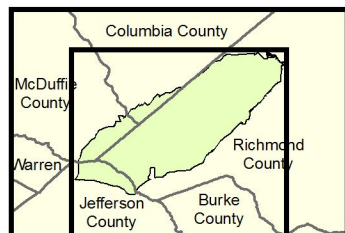
This map was produced by the Fort Gordon Environmental Division-Natural Resources Branch. December 2009

Projection Based on:
World Geodetic System of 1984
UTM Zone 17 North
Units: Meters

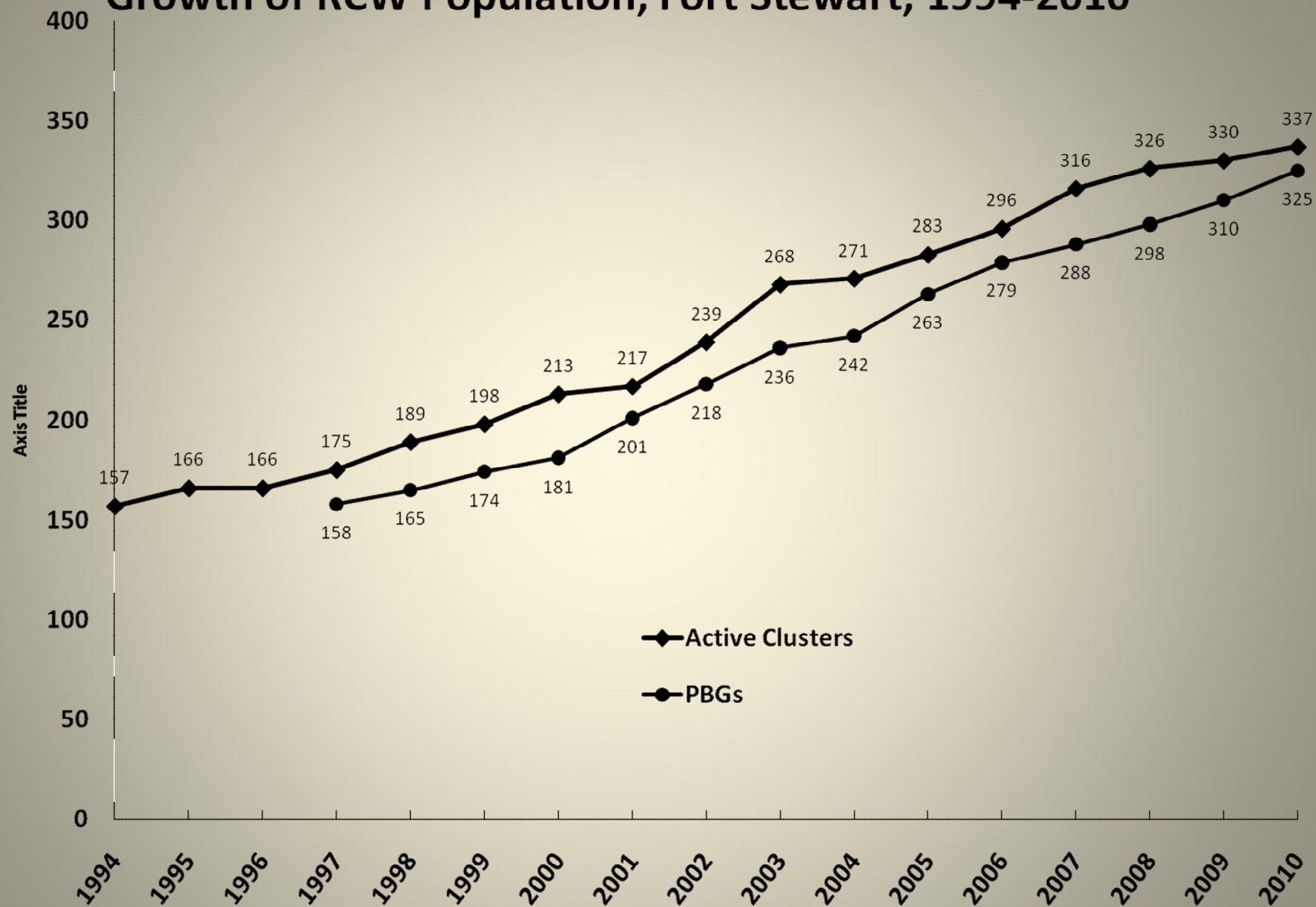
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Growth of RCW Population, Fort Stewart, 1994-2010



SRS Environmental Concerns



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Timber Sales and Forest Management



Integrated Training Area Management (ITAM)

- Remediate Areas disturbed by Army Training.
- Design and construct Army training lands and areas.



Environmental Impact, Assessment, and Mitigation

- 90, 60, and 30 day coordination and approval process initiated prior to each unit training event. Some requirements include...
 - > Access control requirements approved by DOE-SR.
 - > Training land and facility locations approved.
 - > Environmentally sensitive areas defined.
 - > Training locations pre-inspected for environmental concern and TES presence.
 - > Controls on specific training events defined.
 - > Equipment / training ammunition lists approved.
 - > Safety and risk analysis completed by unit commanders.
 - > Monthly IMT meeting with SRNS.
 - > Other meeting as required with USFS, SREL, SRSOC...
- All soldiers receive site orientation briefing prior to accessing SRS.
- All soldiers and Army civilians activated into the Remote Worker Program daily.
- Units designate Officers-in-charge and Range Safety Officers (OICs /RSOs).
- Fort Gordon Range Control representation on site for each training event.

Environmental Impact, Assessment, and Mitigation

- Communications established with SRSOC, OIC/RSOs, and Fort Gordon Range Control.
- Fort Gordon Range Control conducts constant inspection of unit training activities on SRS to monitor environmental impact and overall safety.
- 3 days before termination of unit training event, the unit begins to repair maneuver damage under Fort Gordon RC / ITAM supervision.
- Coordination with local communities, counties, and public safety organizations (PAO notifications).
- Fuel and Oil spill prevention and control measures.
- Daily Burn Category monitored through the USFS-SR Fire Dispatch Desk.

Questions.....

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